MINUTES

HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, February 01, 2023

TIME: 9:00 A.M. **PLACE:** Room EW40

MEMBERS: Chairman Crane(13), Vice Chairman Young, Representatives Palmer, Barbieri,

Holtzclaw, Scott, Andrus, Skaug, Alfieri, Allgood, Crane(12), Gannon, Green

ABSENT/ Green

EXCUSED:

GUESTS: The sign-

The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative

Library.

Vice Chair Young called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

RS 30175: Rep. Monks presented RS 30175 and reviewed the history of this legislation,

explaining **RS 30175** is essentially **H 708** from the 2022 Legislative Session. **H 708** passed the House of Representatives and stalled in the Senate last year. On April 7, 2021, **Governor Little** issued an Executive Order. **RS 30175** codifies and expands the Executive Order by adding that individuals will not be required to provide proof of a COVID vaccination to receive services from the State of Idaho, enter a public building or receive employment with a few exceptions. Rep. Monks indicated a couple of those exceptions may be if your job requires you to travel to others states and those states require a vaccination, or if your job requires you to enter a private residence and the homeowner requires a vaccination. **RS 30175** does not cover other vaccinations, however, the emergency use authorization section should cover issues that may come up in the future. There are several details in this legislation that Rep. Monks will address in the bill's hearing such as including other vaccinations and whether an elected official is an employee of the state.

MOTION: Rep. Palmer made a motion to introduce RS 30175. Motion carried by voice

vote.

RS 30087: Rep. Boyle presented **RS 30087**, a Memorial regarding Greater Idaho. For many

years, Eastern Oregon residents have been unhappy with their state. Eleven counties in Oregon would like to move the Idaho-Oregon border and become a part of Idaho. For this to happen, both state legislatures need to agree to move the border. Rep. Boyle relayed some of the advantages to Idaho would be 380,000 more citizens, which would result in another congressional seat and, according to a study on economics performed by Claremont Institute, Idaho would receive \$170

million in additional tax dollars, not including tax dollars from businesses.

MOTION: Rep. Skaug made a motion to introduce RS 30087. Motion carried by voice vote.

RS 30079: Rep. Blanksma, presented RS 30079 to eliminate the Joint Legislative Oversight

Committee (JLOC) and reassign oversight of the Office of Performance Evaluation to the Legislative Council. **Rep. Gannon** expressed his concerns that eliminating JLOC, which is a bipartisan committee, would result in the reduction of transparency

and checks and balances which have been in code since 1993.

MOTION: Rep. Crane (13) made a motion to introduce RS 30079. Motion carried by voice

vote.

ADJOURN:	There being no further business to coradjourned at 9:33 A.M.	ne before the committee, the meeting
Representative C	rane (13)	Lisa Hendricks Secretary